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Boston nabs first Opening Day win since 2010 by stomping the Yankees, 8-2. / GETTY IMAGES

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In the news

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Happy birthday, Boston College. The school turned 150 yesterday. On April 1, 1863, then-Gov. John Andrew approved an act incorporating five Jesuits and their associates and successors as the trustees of Boston College, according to the school.

Local tweet

"Boston's way of saying April Fools: 6 Hours of sunshine and 60F! Then it pours and thunders in your face. #APRILFOOLS"

And we'll have a low of around 27 tonight. Gotcha, @Wuwuzelas!

Cause for color

Buildings go blue for autism day

Mayor Thomas Menino has declared today Autism Awareness Day in Boston, and encouraged building owners to light their buildings blue as part of a global initiative that kicks off Autism Awareness Month.

"Autism affects so many Boston families, both emotionally and financially," Menino said. "Today, I'm asking our residents and building owners to do their part in raising awareness to shine a much-needed light on autism and its impacts."

Between 1999 and 2009, the Boston Public Schools estimated a 300 percent increase in the number of children diagnosed with some form of autism. Currently, nearly 1,000 of Boston Public Schools' 57,000 students have autism spectrum diagnoses. METRO

Paul McCartney rocks Fenway Park. / NICOLAUS CZARNECKI, METRO

Beatlemania

Sir Paul to play Fenway ... again

Sir Paul McCartney will return to Fenway Park for one show on the first U.S. stop of his new "Out There" tour.

McCartney will play on July 9. He last played there in 2009. METRO

Customers of Bootstrap Compost keep their kitchen waste in a separate container that the company collects. / GETTY IMAGES

Urban composting: Is it stinkin' good for the city?

Curbside compost. Councilors make a move to bring city-run service to Boston.

Boston's kitchen scraps could soon be hitting the curb.

City Council members Felix Arroyo and Matthew O'Malley are hoping to follow in the green footsteps of roughly 90 U.S. cities and roll out a city-run curbside composting program in Boston.

"The response so far has been fantastic. Mayor [Thomas] Menino has done some innovative things to help lessen our environmental impact and raising awareness about recycling. Moving to compost would be the next logical step," O'Malley said.

Since launching in 2011, Charlestown-based Bootstrap Compost has been Boston's only year-round kitchen scrap pickup service.

Customers fill a bucket with coffee grounds, bones, tea bags, veggies — no dairy or meat — then Bootstrap picks it up, and replaces it with a fresh bucket.

Founder Andy Brooks said Bootstrap is firmly behind the councilors' push for a city-run composting program.

"I absolutely see this becoming a ubiquitous part of modern urban life; there's no question. As to when it will happen, that's hard to say. I think it's going to be a matter of trial and error," Brooks said.

Arroyo hopes to launch a pilot program "as soon as possible," but not before getting public input at a yet-to-be scheduled hearing.

"No one can argue that doing something positive for the environment isn't a good thing. It's just a win, win, win."

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Fertilizing Boston

Bootstrap Compost picks up food waste from 400 residential and 21 commercial customers, and has diverted more than 170,000 pounds of scraps in the last two years.

- Customers get back a portion of their scraps in the form of usable compost, or have it donated to school and community gardens.
- A city program would likely use the compost for public projects.

Kids having kids. Bay State teen birth rate hits record low, officials say

The Department of Public Health released a report yesterday that shows Massachusetts' teen birth rate has plummeted by more than 50 percent since 1989, reaching the lowest level on record in 2010.

In 1989, the teen birth rate hit a peak of 35.9 per 1,000. In 2010, it was 17.1 per 1,000.

The report also shows the lowest rate of smoking for pregnant women on record — 6.3 percent in 2010.

"This report is good news for Massachusetts families," said Gov. Deval Patrick. "The work we do in promoting public health has a real impact on the lives of children and families across the state." SHNS

Hands off

T fighting sexual harassment

The Boston Area Rape Crisis Center, Fenway Health and MBTA have announced a partnership to help end sexual assault and harassment on the T.

Posters will go up in trains and buses today to highlight the renewed campaign, which aims to send "a clear, strong message that ... illegal sexual touching will not be tolerated." METRO

Rally. Groups to unite at State House today for transportation event

Civic organizations, advocacy groups and coalitions from across the state today will call on legislators to fund the state's transportation needs.

Hundreds of people are expected to turn out at a State House rally that was organized in recognition of the state's Transportation Day.

A series of speakers will deliver remarks on the House steps starting at 10 a.m.

After the remarks, protesters said they plan to speak with legislators about making "a significant investment in transportation across the state to make public transit systems work for everybody, fix our roads and bridges, and make walking and biking safer." METRO

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Road rage. Elderly man punched by 23-year-old during violent incident

A 23-year-old Framingham man allegedly punched an 82-year-old man in the chest during a road rage incident.

Lt. Ron Brandolini said that officers were called to a fight in the street at about 10 a.m. Friday. By the time officers arrived the two cars involved had left, but a witness gave police license plate numbers.

Officers went to the home of the elderly man, who told them that he was sitting in traffic when it began moving, but the car in front of him remained stationary. He honked his horn and said the driver, Gregory Brown, got out of the car.

The elderly man said he rolled down his window to talk and that's when Brown allegedly punched him. METRO

Irving returned

Most wanted fugitive in Mass.

Alleged fugitive Gary Irving was arraigned in Dedham yesterday, more than 30 years after he went on the run following a rape conviction.

Irving was caught hiding in Maine last week. METRO

Concert controversy

Petition forms against Tyga's Harvard show

More than 1,600 people had signed a petition to block hip-hop artist Tyga from performing at a Harvard music festival, citing his "violently misogynistic lyrics." METRO

Dorchester shooting latest in recent spate

People hug at the scene of a shooting on Dacia Street near the Dorchester-Roxbury line. / NICOLAUS CZARNECKI, METRO

Recent shootings. Four people have been shot since last week; one was fatal.

Four people have been shot, one fatally, in a recent spate of violence that has police meeting with community members. The recent violence was highlighted March 26 when police witnessed a mid-afternoon shootout in Roxbury that was also caught on camera. Since that incident, there have been at least six cases of people firing guns, resulting in multiple people being shot. The most recent shooting took place about 11:30 a.m. yesterday near Dacia and Quincy streets in Dorchester, in which one person suffered life-threatening injuries. The shooting took place just hours before police were expected to attend a community meeting in Jamaica Plain following Sunday night's fatal shooting. That incident occurred about 8:30 p.m. on Minden Street. The 26-year-old man later died at Brigham and Women's Hospital.

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Shootings on pace

As of March 26, there were 25 non-fatal shootings in Boston, and eight homicides. Both numbers are about the same as they were at this time last year.

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Appeals court to hear inmate sex change arguments

Inmate sex change. Lawyers for the state and Michelle Kosilek will argue before the First U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals today.

A panel of appeals court judges will hear arguments today in the case of a transgender inmate who won a decision to have sexual reassignment surgery while in prison.

Lawyers for the state Department of Correction and Michelle Kosilek will present arguments to the First U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The state has appealed last year's controversial decision by former Chief Judge Mark Wolf that the DOC must provide Kosilek with a sex change because she suffers from a mental illness that must be treated. Kosilek, who was born Robert, killed her wife in Mansfield more than two decades ago. The initial ruling that forces the state to allow and pay for the sex change stemmed from a lawsuit that Kosilek filed against the DOC claiming that refusing to provide her with the surgery violated her Eighth Amendment rights.

Kosilek in a 1993 file photo.
LISA BUL., AP PHOTO

Wolf ordered in November that the sex change be put on hold while the appeal takes place.

Both sides will have 15 minutes for their oral arguments. A decision will likely take months.

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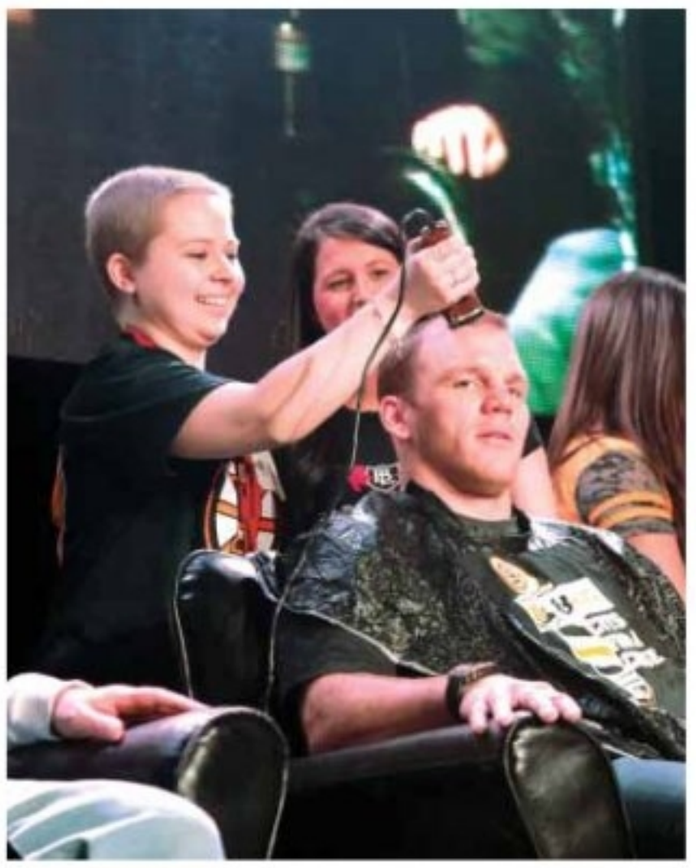

Bruins lend hair for a cause

Bruins winger Shawn Thornton gets his head shaved at his annual Cuts for a Cause charity event at Royale. Thornton and his teammates had their heads shaved by auction winners to raise money for children battling cancer. Eighteen Bruins players took part in yesterday's event.

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Drug investigation

Cops: Man used tranquilizer made for horse

A Billerica man was rushed to a hospital Sunday after he overdosed on a horse tranquilizer.

Police said the 25-year-old man was found in an apartment in Deerfield, N.H., and had injected enough of the tranquilizer for a horse, according to WMUR. METRO

Fatal crash

College student dies in crash

A 23-year-old woman allegedly high on heroin and drunk crashed her car into another vehicle driven by a Gordon College student home for Easter. Kathleen Allen pleaded not guilty to motor vehicle homicide yesterday. Monica DeMello, 18, was killed. GLOBE

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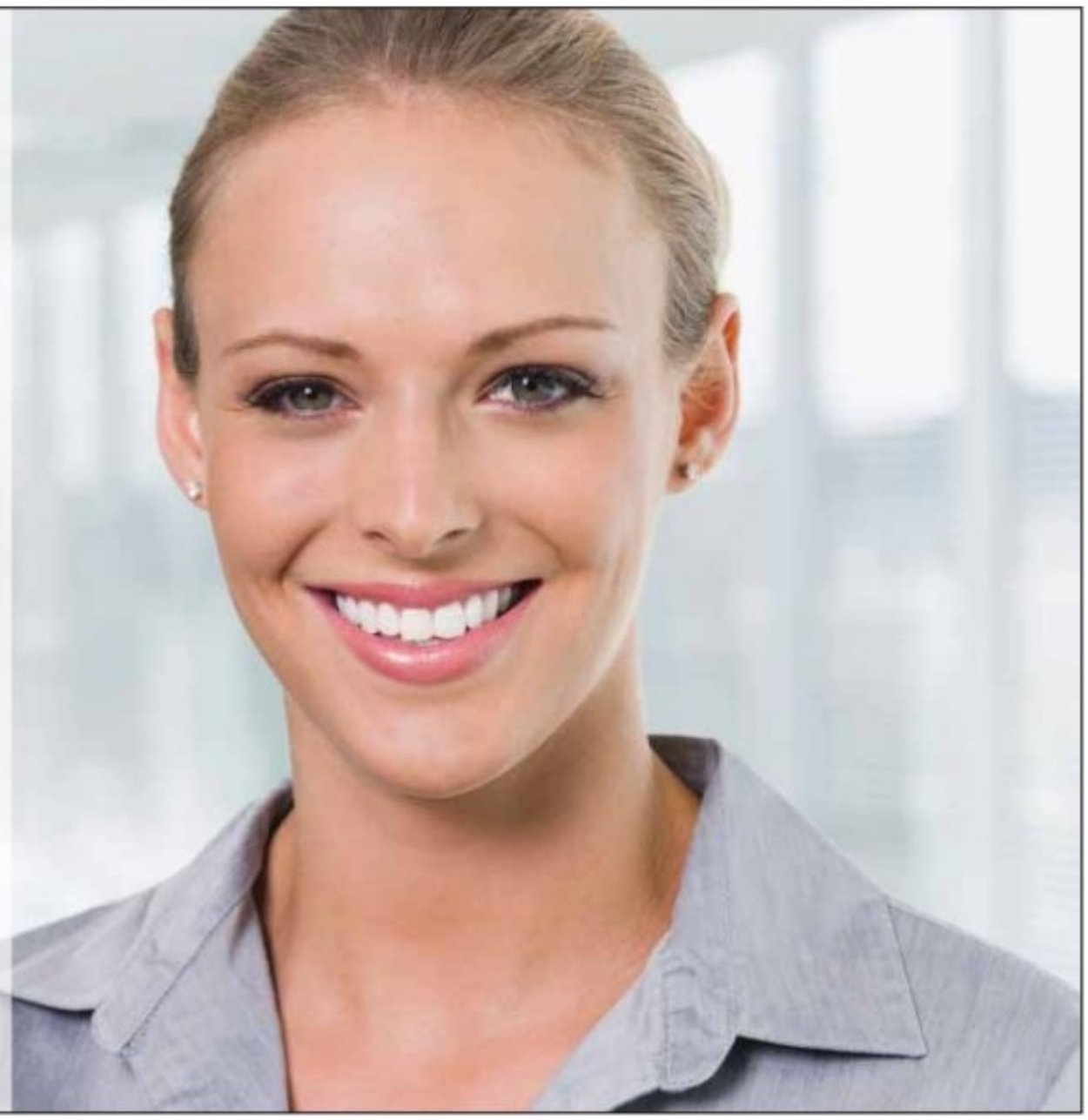

Shooting. Prosecutors seek the death penalty for James Holmes

Prosecutors in Colorado will seek the death penalty for accused movie theater gunman James Holmes in the 2012 slaying of 12 people during a showing of the Batman film "The Dark Knight Rises," the lead prosecutor said in court yesterday

Holmes, a 25-year-old former graduate student of neuroscience, is accused of opening fire inside a suburban Denver multiplex during a midnight screening of the movie last July in a rampage that ranked as one of the deadliest mass shootings in the United States.

Holmes is charged with multiple counts of murder and attempted murder in the shooting spree. **REUTERS**

9/11 statements

Supreme Court declines to hear professor's appeal

The Supreme Court yesterday declined to hear an appeal by a former university professor who was fired in the aftermath of controversial statements he made about the attacks on the United States on Sept. 11, 2001.

The University of Colorado at Boulder fired Ward Churchill in 2007 following an investigation that found deficiencies and flaws in his academic work. **REUTERS**

White supremacist group suspected in killings

The Texas arm of the Aryan Brotherhood is described as a gang responsible for murders, arson, assault and other crimes. / YOUTUBE

Quoted

"It seems to me that a scenario may be developing that the district attorney's office was investigating this gang, or another gang, and they wanted to prevent that investigation." U.S. Representative Ted Poe

The Republican and veteran former judge and prosecutor in Texas told CNN his own suspicions centered on the Aryan Brotherhood.

Shootings. Texas governor warns officials to be safe after two killings.

Governor Rick Perry yesterday raised concern about the safety of Texas law enforcement officials as investigators searched for possible links between the killings of two Kaufman County prosecutors just two months apart.

Kaufman County District Attorney Mike McLelland and his wife, Cynthia, were discovered with fatal gunshot wounds at their home near Forney, Texas, on Saturday. McLelland had vowed to capture those who killed one of his assistants, Mark Hasse, on Jan. 31.

"I suggest everyone should be careful about what goes on, whether they're public officials or otherwise," Perry told reporters in the state capital, Austin. "This I think is a clear concern to individuals who are in public life, particularly those who deal with some very mean and vicious individuals, whether they're white supremacy groups or whether they're the drug cartels that we have."

The FBI, the Texas Rangers and other law enforcement groups were investigating the two homicides, Kaufman County Sheriff David Byrnes said.

When Hasse was killed, speculation immediately centered on the prison-based Aryan Brotherhood of Texas because that same day the U.S. Justice Department released a statement saying the Kaufman County District Attorney's Office was involved in a racketeering case against the white supremacist group. **REUTERS**

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South Korean K-1 tanks move over a temporary bridge during a river-crossing military drill in Hwacheon near the border with North Korea yesterday. / GETTY IMAGES

South Korea vows quick response to North Korea

Crisis. Tensions ratcheted higher on the peninsula amid rhetoric from Pyongyang and a U.S. show of force.

North Korea says the region is on the brink of nuclear war in the wake of United Nations sanctions imposed for its February nuclear test and a series of joint U.S. and South Korean military drills that have included a rare U.S. show of aerial power.

The North, whose economy is smaller than it was 20 years ago, appeared to move yesterday to address its pressing need for investment by appointing a reformer to the country's ceremonial prime minister's job, although the move mostly cemented a power grab by the ruling Kim clan.

North Korea had said on Saturday it was entering a "state of war" with South Korea in response to what it termed the "hostile" military drills being staged in the South. But there have been no signs of unusual activity in the North's military to suggest an imminent aggression, a South Korean defense ministry official said last week.

"If there is any provocation against South Korea and its people, there should be a strong response in initial combat without any political considerations," President Park Geun-hye told the defense minister and senior officials at a meeting yesterday. **REUTERS**

Aiming high

Octogenarian Japanese climber aims for Everest

An 80-year-old Japanese mountain climber who has had heart surgery four times is heading to Mount Everest to try for a third ascent of the world's highest peak, and would become the oldest person to reach the top if he succeeds.

Yuichiro Miura climbed to the summit of the 29,035-foot mountain in 2003 and 2008. He skied down Everest from an altitude of 26,246 feet in 1970. **REUTERS**

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Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Jonah Hill is just asking hypothetically and Judd Apatow doesn't like where this is going.

@JonahHill: You guys ever have such an intense sex dream about Mr. Belvedere that you wake up screaming? Me neither! That would be so weird, right?!

@JuddApatow: I am worried about Beiber. He has a monkey now. I am not joking. This is headed to a bad place. He follows the path of generic disaster.

1

'Buckwild' Star Shain Gandee found dead

Shain Gandee, the former trash collector who found fame as the star of the MTV reality hit "Buckwild," was found dead along with his uncle and an unidentified person in a truck in West Virginia yesterday morning. Shain was last heard from around 3 a.m. on Sunday at a local bar, when he and his uncle told people they planned to go four-wheeling. The truck where they were found was stuck deep in mud, leading investigators to think the three died of carbon monoxide poisoning. "Our thoughts and prayers are with them," MTV said in a statement, saying Shain "touched everyone he met."

2

'Glee' star in rehab

"Glee" star Cory Monteith, 30, has "voluntarily admitted himself to a treatment facility," his representative told People magazine. The reason for the rehab stay is unspecified. He reportedly checked in Monday morning. Monteith, 30, plays Finn Hudson on the hit Fox series. His girlfriend and co-star on the series, Lea Michele, 26, gave the following quote to People: "I love and support Cory and will stand by him through this. I am grateful and proud he made this decision." Monteith has struggled with substance abuse in the past. In a 2011 interview with Parade magazine, Monteith admitted to a rehab stay when he was just 19. "I burned a lot of bridges," he said. "I was out of control." At the time, he said he had a "serious problem" and was using "anything and everything, as much as possible." "Glee" is currently filming its latest season and has two more episodes left to shoot. Deadline Hollywood reports that filming will continue and Finn's absence will be explained through plotlines.

THE WORD

Dorothy Robinson's take on the world of gossip

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Arnold and Maria: No drama

There didn't seem to be much tension between Arnold Schwarzenegger and Maria Shriver when the separated couple sat down this weekend at an Easter brunch at a Santa Monica, Calif., restaurant with their children, according to E! News. Schwarzenegger has reportedly been dating another woman, Heather Milligan, since the fall. Milligan was not present at the family brunch.

4

Ticktock goes the Bieber

The clock is ticking on Justin Bieber's career, according to top music manager Peter Mensch, who reps acts like Metallica and the Red Hot Chili Peppers. "I don't know what Bieber's problem is. His career is over in three years anyway," Mensch tells the Sun. "I'd take Bieber to the woodshed and spank him."

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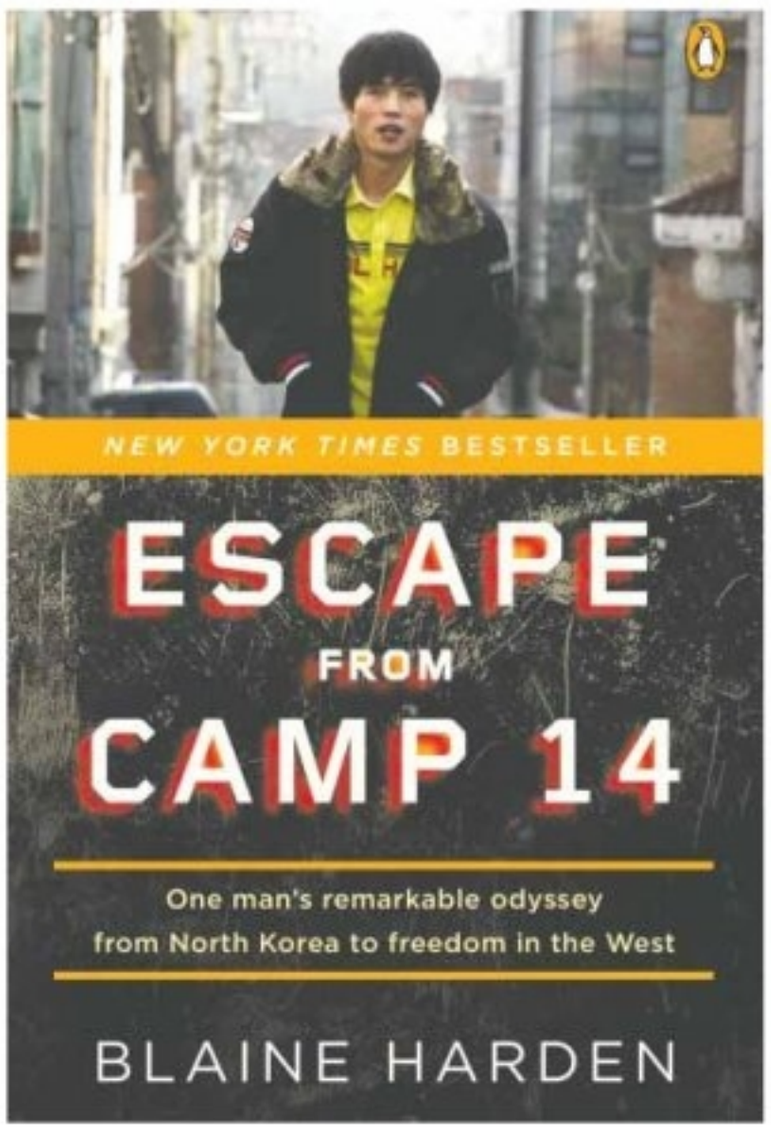

Finding freedom through a hole in the prison camp fence

Books. "Escape From Camp 14" recounts one man's life of forced labor, abuse and eventual escape from North Korea.

Despite official denials of their existence, North Korea's political prison camps have been in operation for six decades, long enough for generations to have been born and raised within their electrified fences. In all that time, no one born inside the camps had ever escaped — until Shin Dong-hyuk crawled over the body of a dead companion and though a hole in the fence in 2005.

Veteran foreign correspondent Blaine Harden told Shin's story on the front page of the Washington Post in 2008.

Veteran foreign correspondent Blaine Harden / BLAKE CHAMBLISS

"Shin's story is so powerful and has so many cinematic elements to it that it's very effective in catching people's interest," Harden says. "It became clear that his story was a way of reaching people who don't normally pay attention to foreign affairs or to North Korea."

That article grew into the bestselling book "Escape From Camp 14," which recounts Shin's life of forced labor and abuse at the hands of camp guards and his own family. It wasn't until they'd met more than a dozen times that Shin was able to reveal his deepest secret, however: his complicity in the execution of his mother and brother.

Following that confession, Harden was forced to re-examine Shin's story. "As I thought it through," he says, "it increased his credibility from my point of view. There was no reason for him to tell this story that made him look so bad. And there's the evidence of the scars on his body, which are not faint etchings; they're overwhelming, ghastly disfigurements."

Ideally, Harden says, accounts like those in his book will increase pressure on North Korea to close the camps, which recent satellite imagery suggests are expanding. "I'm not optimistic that the camps are going to disappear anytime soon," he admits. "But knowledge is better than ignorance, and Shin feels like all the misery that he went through and all the guilt that he carried has not been for nothing."

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"The scars on his body ... [are] overwhelming, ghastly disfigurements."
Harden on Shin Dong-hyuk

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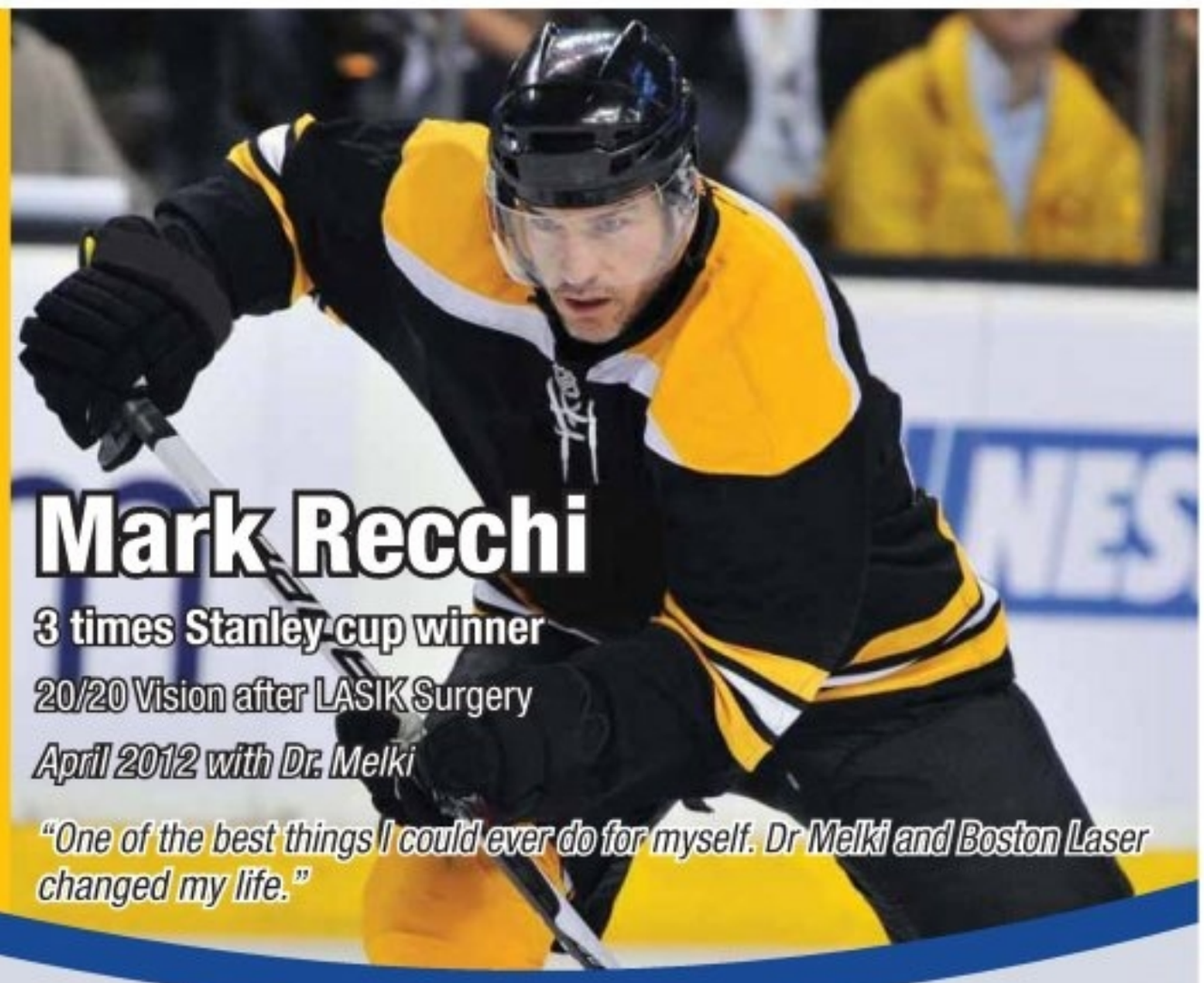
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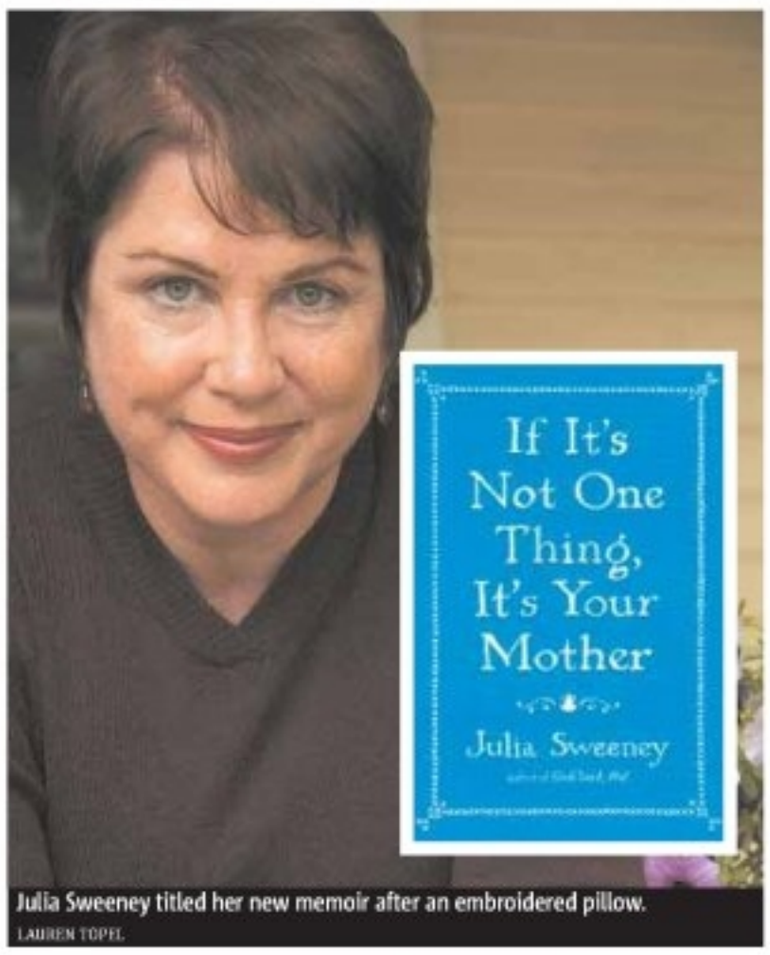

Julia Sweeney titled her new memoir after an embroidered pillow.
LAUREN TOPEL

Julia Sweeney's new memoir on motherhood

Books. The comedian writes about her long path to a nontraditional family.

Julia Sweeney titled her new memoir after a pillow embroidered with "If It's Not One Thing, It's Your Mother," given to her by her mom, that Sweeney hated until she had a daughter — who now dislikes the pillow herself. The former "Saturday Night Live" ("It's Pat!") and Broadway ("God Said 'Ha!'") star writes about her long path to a nontraditional family with insight and warmth as well as refreshingly candid humor. She received her adopted child, Mulan, in China, from a man who entered a crowded ballroom holding the baby aloft while a Muzak version of Celine Dion's "My Heart Will Go On" played from a boom box.

That must've been an overwhelming and complicated moment. Did you register the humor of it at the time?
Yes! I was so fixated on it that I missed some of the emotional moment. And that, I would say, is something I do.

You write about investigating your genealogy. How has adopting a child affected your thoughts about it?
I've been in conferences about it and they say, "In this room of 300 people, if you go back five generations, you'll have one person in common with all of you." You're related to everyone. It's terribly meaningful. And also completely meaningless. ... I just took my niece and nephew to the cemetery and said, "This is your great-grandfather." Mulan added, "And my great-grandfather." I replied, "Yes!" But then I thought, "Is it?" It's a gray area.

Because of the book, does Mulan like the pillow more?
No! She still hates it. And I just looked at it and thought, I should put it in the next bag to Goodwill. Then I remembered, Oh no, but it's the pillow! I've infused it with all this meaning now. I guess I have to keep it.

Mom advice

How to tell your 9-year-old about the birds and bees, with Julia Sweeney:

1 Launch into it by speaking too knowingly about tadpoles. Be proud of answering her follow-up question with, "Women have evolved to have our own pond, right inside our own bodies."

2 Be totally honest until she asks if people do it in groups, at which point you lie and say, "That would never happen."

3 Tell the story as a wildly successful TED talk and then expand it into a funny and heartwarming book.

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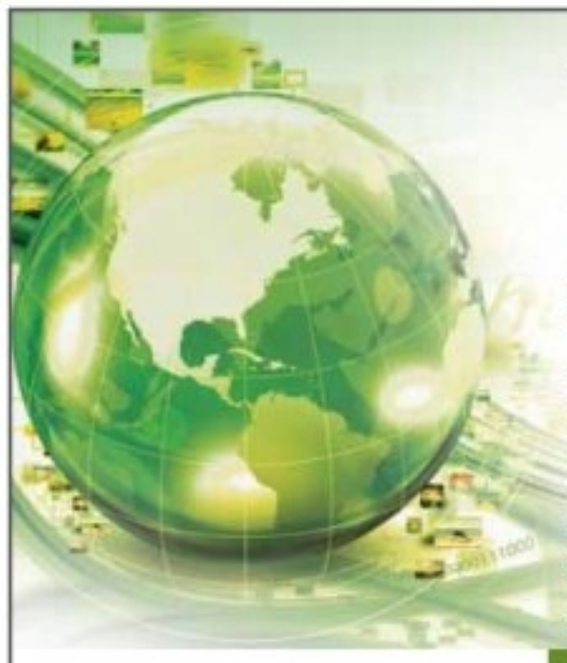

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With her L.A.-based company Chic Events, Rachel Hollis has dreamt up parties for every occasion. She's even managed to pick up a few tricks to help parents please crowds of all ages.

How can parents involve their kids?
I like to keep them busy and out of my hair. I'll often say, "Go to the backyard and find three branches and two pretty flowers," and I'll incorporate those things into the decor. It becomes a game for them.

What is the most common party-planning mistake?
Many people don't give themselves enough time. Plan like a Boy Scout, and always be prepared.

How can you make sure all age groups have fun?
Think of it as two separate parties. Create the party for the adults first, then take part of that theme and make it appropriate for kids. There is a craft station at all of my parties. When guests ask what they can bring, I'll ask them instead to commit to half an hour at the craft table. If you can get a few people to do that, someone's always lifeguarding the table, and everybody can focus on having a good time.

Q&A

How can party planning be more manageable for people with small children?

Have some courage — people are going to be so appreciative of anything you do! Go with your strengths: If you don't know how to cook, but make good cocktails, great! You can get the food from a local restaurant. Do the things you're good at. Give yourself wiggle room on things you're less familiar with.

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DURO OLOWU

The Nigerian-born designer's colorful takes on womenswear and home goods are available at JCPenney for a limited time.

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Acclaimed London-based designer Duro Olowu charmed fashion insiders with his mix-match of riotous prints and bold colors — inspired by his native Africa — and he's now bringing his eye for the dramatic to JCPenney for the store's first designer collaboration. The Nigerian-born talent created a collection true to his statement-making aesthetic, which includes accessories and home goods ranging from $10 to $100.

"I wanted to add an element of art and surrealism but in a really possible way," Olowu says. "Because I think the general public, which we're all a part of, need to be inspired. I need to be inspired." He tells us more about his spirited print-happy collaboration, sure to inspire your wardrobe choices all summer long.

What was your starting point for the collection?
I've always loved American design, from Claire McCardell in the '30s to Willi Smith. American style is a bit underrated in that respect, as high fashion. So, I said I'm going to think of American classics and give them global flair.

What was the design process like?
I wanted this to feel like

GREEN PAISLEY MAXI DRESS, $60; LEAF PRINT CLUTCH, $30

FLORAL RUFFLE DRESS, $50; RAFFIA TABLET CASE, $25; LEAF PRINT HEEL, $50

Quoted

"What I love about it is that I feel that it's age-appropriate for any age. It's like 'funky granny' — you mix it up, you mix it down."

Olowu

a collection, not like my greatest hits rehashed. I want to walk in and think, "Oh, I would buy this," if I saw it. What I love about it is that I feel that it's age-appropriate for any age. It's like "funky granny" — you mix it up, you mix it down. [Laughs] Also, these are not disposable pieces, they are classics.

How did the home pieces come about?

I am interested in interiors because I feel, like with clothes, you don't need to change your home. You just add some elements. So, that's what we tried to do. I realized, just doing research, that in America they decorate in a different way. In Europe, you've got the whole house. Here, you bring in a rug [and] you change things.

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Top 3

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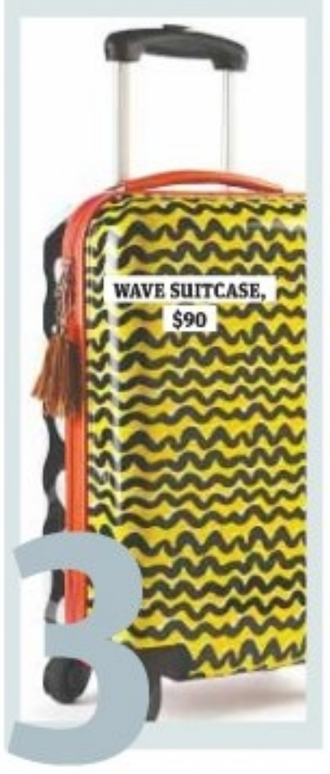

TV watch list

Reality

'19 Kids and Counting'

The Duggars are on their whopping 11th season. We're hoping the "and counting" part is over for Jim Bob and Michelle. In the meantime, we're waiting for Josh and Anna to announce their spin-off, "20 Kids and Counting." **SEASON PREMIERE, 9 P.M., TLC**

Comedy

'The New Normal'

Bryan and David try to tie the knot quickly before the baby arrives. Ann Coulter guest stars. **SEASON FINALE, 9:30 P.M., NBC**

Drama

'Justified'

It's rumored that a death is on the horizon as Raylan faces off with the Detroit mob. **SEASON FINALE, 10 P.M., FX**

Reality

'Snooki and JWoww'

The "Jersey Shore" alums are looking to rekindle old relationships. You might think this episode will last all night, but Snooki has a baby to get home to. **10 P.M., MTV. MATT JACOBS**

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Horoscope

♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20. Be extremely careful that you don't achieve your purposes at the expense of someone else. It would severely damage your image.

♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21. Usually you can do quite well in partnership situations, but this isn't likely to be the case if your aims differ considerably.

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20. A potentially profitable endeavor that has been dormant for quite some time could become active, but you'll need to redesign it in order to capitalize on it.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Don't get too closely involved with someone who has a dubious reputation. Take plenty of time to really find out what your potential partners are all about.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. If you're giving a price quote for a job or service, be sure your estimated cost is accurate. If not, you might work hard but earn little.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. When required to manage a serious situation for another, don't treat it indifferently. If you make a mistake, everyone will pay.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. If you're not on top of things, someone might seize the reins and make a decision in his or her best interests, not yours.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. Guard against an inclination to hold on to an idea long after it has proven to be unproductive. It's important to think on your feet and change your mind-set to suit new circumstances.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. Strive to be logical when making an assessment that would directly affect your financial position. It would prove to be disastrous to put all of your hopes on luck.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. In order to be a true leader, you must not be afraid to take charge of situations, even if you don't have a lot personally invested in their outcome.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. Several important objectives can be achieved today, provided you don't trip over your own feet. Chances are it will be self-inflicted obstacles that will be your nemesis.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. Be careful, because a well-intentioned friend might offer you some advice that, if you treat it as gospel, could prove to be costly. BERNICE BEDE OSOL

Letters

Celebs, not columnist, should be the stars of The Word

I love your section The Word — it's a treasure for me awaiting the last part of my commute after I've gotten through all the news and politics sections.

However, I miss all the pics of celebrities you used to put in there.

Do you think you could maybe make Dorothy Robinson's picture a bit smaller to fit in more Hollywood stars?

Don't get me wrong, you're beautiful, but I'd love to see more celebs. You used to have way more pieces on celebs. Just a thought.

LAURA KRAMER, VIA E-MAIL

First, I really like your newspaper, but the big picture of Dorothy Robinson in The Word page is just creepy and it takes a lot of space that can be filled with more entertainment news.

RICHARD RUBIN, VIA E-MAIL

If you can't beat 'em, join 'em!

I've been convinced not to worry about not getting health insurance. Essentially I can continue to spend my discretionary money on organic foods and stay healthy as long as I can. If I get seriously ill, I can buy health insurance because they must accept you for any preexisting condition. Best of all, the IRS can only collect the fines you get for not having health insurance by holding back your refunds. Just don't overpay your taxes and you have beaten Obamacare and helped Obama destroy the nation. It's like buying car insurance after you wrecked your car! I want to make my leader happy. As they say:"If you can't beat them, join them!" Sounds like a plan!

JOSEPH DUPONT, VIA E-MAIL

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Across

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5 Huffs and puffs
10 Military cap
14 "Cool Hand —"
15 Seize power
16 — — for keeps
17 Falco or McClurg
18 Mrs. Eisenhower
19 Finish a jacket
20 Longings
22 Ramble
24 Bonfire remains
25 Funny Foxx
26 Scolds (2 wds.)
30 Physicist — Newton
35 Intention
36 Previously
37 Comedian — Radner
38 Accurate
41 Got a whiff
43 Placed the same ad
44 Yvette's date
45 Prehistoric
46 Romantic interlude
47 Erode (2 wds.)
50 Fits to — —
53 Incite Rover
54 Bankrupt (hyph.)
58 Kissed quickly
62 Unhurried gait
63 Kind of tactics
66 Unctuous
67 Motels of yore
68 Panmunjom site
69 Ballet lake
70 Discreet summons
71 Pancake order
72 Antler prong

Down

1 Lots and lots
2 Autobahn vehicle
3 Slalom gear
4 Laugh rudely
5 Private eyes
6 White — — ghost
7 "Cogito ergo —"
8 Second to none
9 Expedite
10 Potter's oven
11 Oklahoma town
12 Resin source
13 Livy's route
21 Mountain curve
23 River in Italy
25 Country addr.
26 Blue Grotto isle
27 Brought on board
28 Polishing agent
29 Late actress Mary —
31 RSVP word
32 Give permission
33 — Rogers St. Johns
34 Tea container
39 BTU kin
40 Mosaic
41 Wee, in Dundee
42 Comment inappropriately
44 Impress deeply
48 Make tracks
49 Confront boldly
51 Ivory source
52 Orlando attraction
54 Object on radar
55 Practically forever
56 RN assistants
57 Perchance
59 New Zealand bird
60 Joie de vivre
61 Unit of force
64 Macaw genus
65 – room (den)

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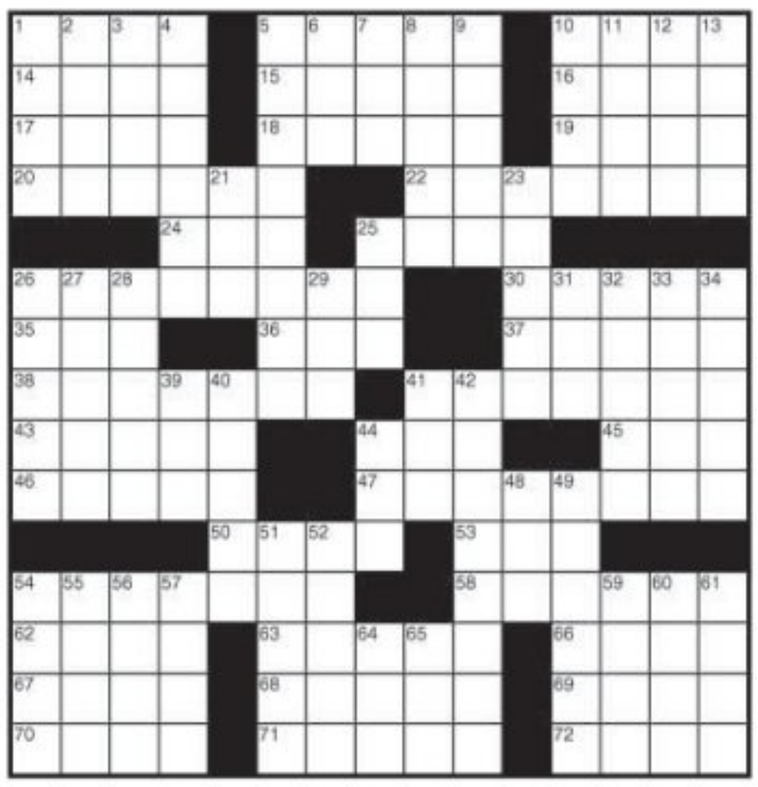

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Where to eat in Las Vegas now

The city's restaurant scene changes by the week, with newcomers vying for visitors' attention with the latest flavors. Here are the hottest places right now.

Andrea's

The nightclub-meets-restaurant Andrea's dubs itself a "vibe dining" scene. Inside you'll find decor resembling something out of "2001: A Space Odyssey." Cognacs, pearls and gold all find a home here among private dining pods and velvet sofas. A terrace overlooks Surrender Nightclub's outdoor space.

Within the exhibition kitchen, Joseph Elevado serves up family-style Asian dishes such as crispy crab and scallop, truffled ponzu rock shrimp tempura, and wagyu sliders. For more standard fare, look for shellfish on ice, dim sum pot stickers, dumplings and scallion pancakes that can be paired with salads, noodles and fried rice.

Kate Upton and chef Joseph Elevado at Andrea's grand opening. DENISE TRUSCELLO, WIREIMAGE

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Gordon Ramsay Pub & Grill opened in January in Las Vegas. /BRYAN STEFFY, GETTY IMAGES

Gordon Ramsay Pub & Grill

This is the celebrity chef's take on an English pub experience at Caesars Palace. The restaurant is a two-in-one, with different menus and uniforms on the pub and grill sides. On the grill side, you'll find Scottish salmon, lamb T-bone and Irish beef cheek stew. The pub features classic British fare like Scotch eggs, pork and duck rillettes, and a British version of a slider. The uniforms are also of note — they were created by a "Mad Men" assistant costume designer.

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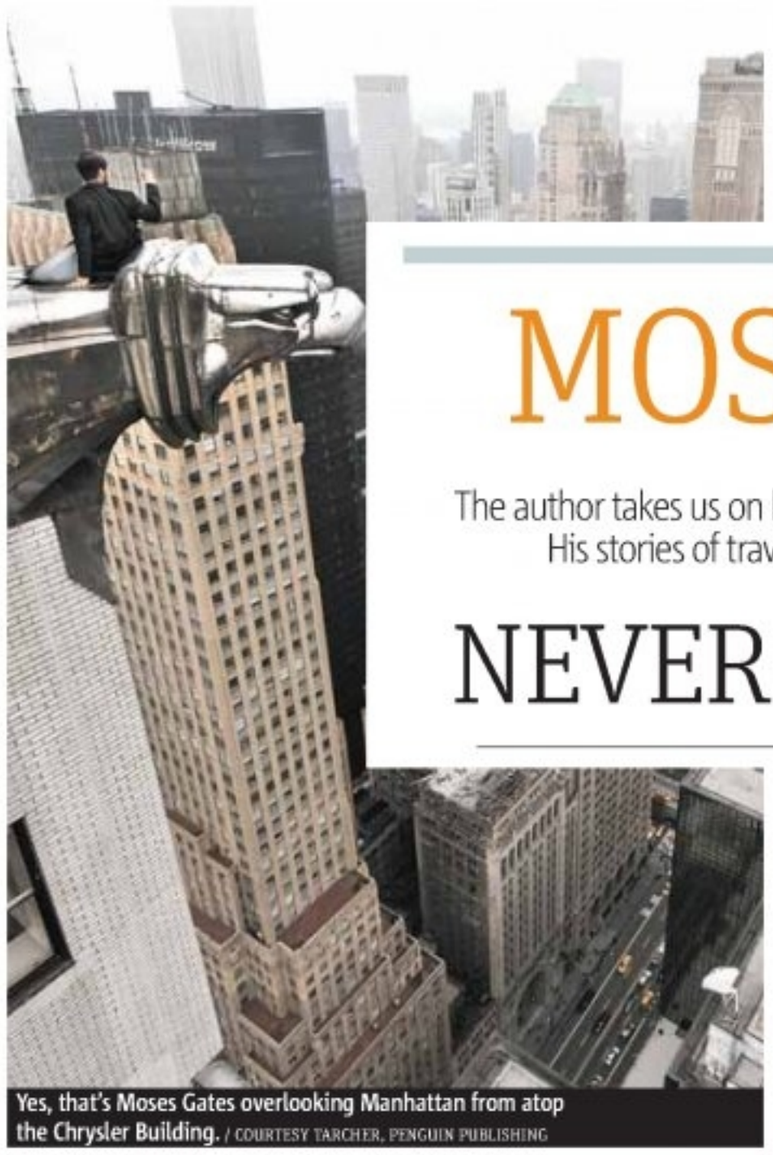

Yes, that's Moses Gates overlooking Manhattan from atop the Chrysler Building. / COURTESY TARCHER, PENGUIN PUBLISHING

Moses Gates has friends in very high places, the lowest of low places and everywhere in between. Part of a close-knit network of urban explorers, he has climbed Notre Dame Cathedral, surveyed the depths of the Parisian catacombs, played Frogger in metro systems the world over — and lived to tell the tales in his memoir, "Hidden Cities." Not without some ego – he boasts membership to a club of daredevils who have had sex on top of bridges — and not without breaking the law. The city planner admits that it's the unplanned moments that make for fantastic voyages.

MOSES GATES

The author takes us on his urban exploratory adventures in "Hidden Cities." His stories of travel will motivate you to meander off the grid.

NEVER MIND THE GAP

People often seek to travel "off the beaten path." But you do a lot of traveling where there's no actual path at all. What's the draw?
Places are popular for a reason. The problem with tourism isn't the places you're going to, it's the way that tourism is conducted. The more people that travel to a place, the more it becomes commodified, which leads to it being more expensive, controlled and cynical. The places are still amazing — the Roman Colosseum, for example — but if you go to the coliseum in Tunisia, where "Gladiator" was filmed, it's just as incredible a monument, but there's fewer tourists, there's not a subway stop there — it's a different experience.

Most of the adventuring you describe in the book, you didn't do alone. But what if you go to a place where you have no connections?
I run into a bunch of great characters while traveling ... but I would say two-thirds of the time I'm alone. If you're on the backpacker trail, it's easy to find people to go around with. One of the tricks I always used is that in every hostel or backpacker bar, there's always an extrovert. Sometimes they're fun, sometimes they're jerks, but always attach yourself to that person for two reasons: 1. That person always talks to the locals; 2. That person almost never has any actual ideas, they just get into things. That's one of the ways to do it.

In terms of safety and legality, do you have advice for people who might be inspired after reading your book to go, say, climb a pyramid?
I'm always a proponent of going where you want to go, doing what you want to do. I never worry about getting hurt or dying. I'm never stressed about the danger part, because I'm a good climber; I know how subway tunnels work and how to not get hit. But I'm always terrified of getting caught. It's more random and you have less control over it. Everybody has their own risk tolerance. The key is to know what yours is and push it a little bit.

You acknowledge an inherent egotism that comes with traveling off the grid. What keeps you humble?
I know so many people who do much more badass s— than me. I love what we do and what I do, but we're not curing cancer, we're not jumping from outer space.

There's a tendency to document everything. How do you think social media affects the way we travel?
I tweet all the time; I post a million photos on Facebook. Everybody likes to share stories. Is taking a photo of your dinner and putting it on Facebook that different from having a conversation about dinner?

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Optimism reigns supreme as Sox shred Yankees

Red Sox. The bats came alive and Lester shined on the hill as the team got off to an encouraging start.

Nearly six months after a miserable 2012 season ended with a 14-2 loss to the Yankees at Yankee Stadium, the Red Sox returned to The Bronx to open their 2013 campaign yesterday, but this time there was a much different result as the Sox came away with a convincing 8-2 win.

It was a balanced attack for Boston, with many players contributing to the victory. Five players had multi-hit games and six pitchers combined to hold the Yankees to just two runs.

Jon Lester, making his third Opening Day start, earned his first win of the season, going five innings, allowing two runs on five hits and striking out seven. Aside from the fourth inning, where he allowed the two runs, Lester looked sharp.

Jacoby Ellsbury (two RBIs) and Jose Iglesias paced the offense with three hits apiece, while Shane Victorino (three RBIs), Dustin Pedroia and Jonny Gomes each finished with two hits.

It didn't take long for the Red Sox to get to Yankees ace CC Sabathia as they scored four runs in the second inning to take a commanding 4-0 lead, never looking back.

After Iglesias legged out an RBI infield single to load the bases and take a 1-0 lead, Victorino delivered the big blow with a two-RBI single to left. Pedroia followed with an RBI single of his own to account for the fourth run of the inning.

Sabathia was forced from the game after the fifth inning, allowing the four runs on eight hits. He struggled with his command as he walked four and left the game after throwing 102 pitches.

Jackie Bradley Jr. (three walks) got his first major league RBI in the seventh and the Sox plated three more insurance runs in the ninth to account for the eight runs.

The 13 hits and eight walks were the most for the Red Sox on Opening Day since 2002.

Clay Buchholz will get the nod for the Red Sox and will be opposed by Hiroki Kuroda tomorrow night when the series resumes in The Bronx (7 p.m., NESN).

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Tax evasion

Red Sox with fourth highest payroll in majors

For years the Red Sox battled MLB's luxury tax. Not so in 2013.

With their 25-man roster finalized, the Red Sox payroll came in at $157 million. MLB's payroll threshold for 2013 is $178 million, according to ESPN. Boston's payroll for 2013 is still the fourth highest in all of baseball, according to USA Today. The Yankees ($228 million), Dodgers ($216 million) and Phillies ($165 million) will dish out more than the Sox in 2013. METRO

Fresh start

"It's big, obviously a lot nicer than the last couple of years to be on top 1-0 instead of going through a whole trip without a win again."

Red Sox pitcher Jon Lester on the team grabbing a win right out of the gate in 2013

Jose Iglesias and the Red Sox jumped on New York early yesterday. / GETTY IMAGES

3 SPORTS

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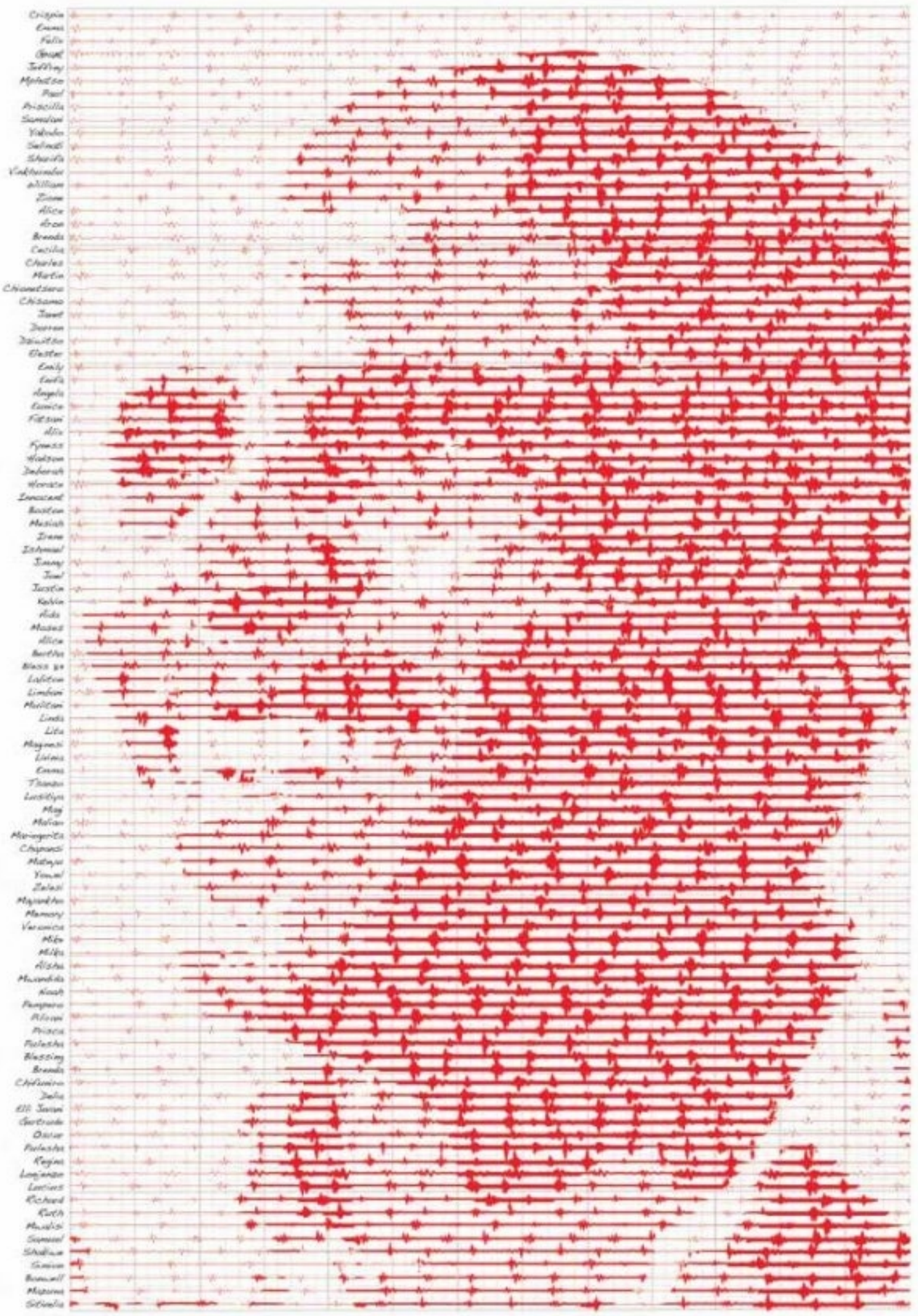

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